

The Summit – June 2025

Mountain Top Quilters Guild

P. O. Box 12961, Prescott, AZ 86304

General Meeting

Monday, June 16, 2025 9:30 am

Elks Lodge

6245 E. 2nd Street

Prescott Valley, AZ

Board Meeting

Monday, July 7, 2025 9:00 am

Diane Stockhaus' home

Meetings are open; seating is limited

Contact Diane to attend

President's Message

Hello Quilters!

How time flies! It is hard to believe a year has passed. I would like to thank all of you for your participation in the guild this year. We have accomplished many things. Thank you for all of the support it has made this past year special.

Join us for our annual June Luncheon. Good fun, good friends, and good food. The time table will be Board members will arrive 8:00-8:15. Table decorators arrive at 8:30. General members arrive at 9:00.

Happy Quilting! See you on the other side of the podium!

Bobbie Mae

Programs and ECHOS

Cheri Heinecke

Note: See the Programs Table for more information and ask any questions you may have. Workshop fees must be paid in advance by cash or check only.

June	
Mon 06/16	<p>Monthly Guild Meeting Spring Luncheon Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>The June meeting will be our luncheon to honor all the members of our guild. The theme is "Free For All". We will be providing a summertime lunch.</p> <p>The Lodge is kind enough to allow us to decorate on Sunday evening June 15th after 7:00 pm. Otherwise you may decorate Monday morning after 8:15am.</p>

July	
Mon 07/21	<p>Monthly Guild Meeting Program: Kay Wentworth, Member Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>Kay will be doing a trunk show. Please plan on staying and enjoying what Kay has to share with us.</p>

Tue 07/22	<p>Kay Wentworth Workshops Applique Lettering Time: 9:00 am - Noon Workshop Fee: \$10 Other Fees: None</p> <p>Kay will be doing a half day workshop on applique lettering.</p> <p>How to Make Eyes Time: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm Workshop Fee: \$10 Other Fees: None</p> <p>This half day workshop will focus on making eyes.</p>
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August	
Mon 08/18	<p>Monthly Guild Meeting Program: Sharing on Steroids Time: 9:30 am</p> <p>Bring your quilts you've been working on this summer to share. This is going to be an extended time of sharing.</p> <p>ECHOS will take place after the meeting with Diana Ramsey showing us how to make the foster bags.</p>
Tue 08/19	<p>Janice Zolnierwicz Workshop Easy Does It Bag Time: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm; Setup 8:10 am Workshop Fee: \$20 Other Fees: None</p> <p>You will need to download the</p>

free pattern and print it out from www.ByAnnie.com before class. The supplies needed are listed on the pattern. In addition you will also need your sewing machine and normal sewing supplies. The guild has cutting boards, rotary cutters, irons, and ironing boards. You may also bring your own.

Newsletter Deadline

Deadline for submissions is **Tuesday, July 8, 2025**. Please send to mtqnewsletter@gmail.com.

Community Quilts

Suzy Davidson & Vicky Hall

Last month our many members helped sort new fabrics, put together 3 and 6 yard quilt kits and organize the Conex. We had quilt bundles ready to quilt left from the May meeting so did not need to do any sandwiching. It was a great help to get everything a little bit more organized.

At the June general meeting with so much happening we will not have merchandise to sell or kits available but will be accepting your finished quilts and tops and will have quilt bundles for pick up.

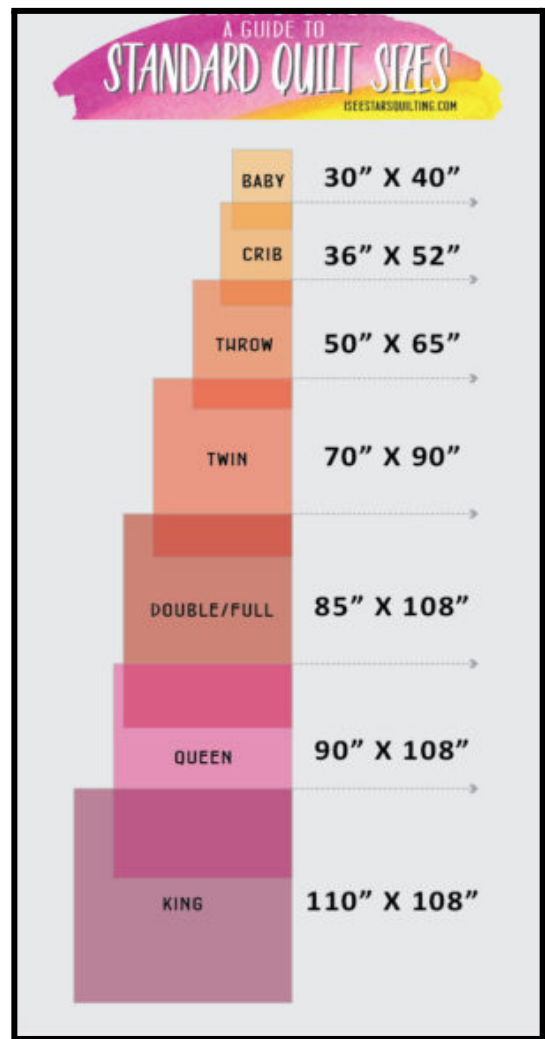
Our June meeting will be on the 23rd and we will be sandwiching quilts, piecing backs and making kits. We'll start at 9:00 am and can stay until 3:00 pm. If you don't want to

bring your machine, we have some available for your use or lot's to do that doesn't require sewing. So, bring lunch and come join us. We always have a good time.

Quilt Sizes

Donna Domino

In response to the question on quilt sizes, we have provided the information below to help with determining what size quilts to make for charity.



Block of the Month

Susan Szot

Welcome to Summer. With our warmer temperatures, we may not feel like cuddling under a beautiful quilt, but warmer weather does not inhibit our creativity. Quilts we work on in the summer will be welcome additions when Fall winds blow.

Thank you to all of you who voted for next year's Block of the Month projects. The votes were counted and there were two clear winners. Only 3 votes separated them from each other, but more than 10 votes separated them from the next closest rival. The winning projects will be revealed in our July meeting and July Newsletter.

2026 Quilt Show

Jill Bodine & Theresa Barnard

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for a committee chairperson for the quilt show. We have a full roster. A special thank you to our Hanging Chairpersons, Diane Short and Nancy Williams, for completing an inventory of all of our hanging supplies. No easy task.

One position that may have been an oversight is someone who can create our graphic for the show. With the theme being "Stitches of Love" this should be an easy one to come up with. We need this done relatively quickly so we can get the bookmarks made for advertising and distribution.

If you have these graphic design skills, please reach out to Jill or I and let us know if you would like to do this.



June Birthdays

1. Kay Baker
2. Sue Ely
3. Velia Glazier
4. Nancy Hall
5. Vicky Hall
6. Sheri Miller
7. PJ Parker
8. Kathleen Pickell
9. Paulene Saskowsky
10. Pam Verburg
11. Sue Von Hagel
12. Kay Wentworth
13. Marie Willison

For our fellow quilters who may have hearing or visual challenges, please reserve the seats in the front row for our General Meetings.

Upcoming Quilt Events

Every Quilters Home Town Quilt Show
Thumb Butte Quilters
June 13-14, 2025
Prescott High School
1050 Ruth Street
Prescott, AZ

Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival
August 28-30, 2025
WestWorld of Scottsdale
16601 N. Pima Road
Scottsdale, AZ

Evelyn Russell Obituary

Bobbie Mae Ball



Evelyn Russell, 92, peacefully left this life surrounded by loved ones on April 13, 2025.

Evelyn, affectionately “Evie,” was born in 1932 on the Limon, Colorado family homestead.

With the arrival of the Dust Bowl in 1935, the family moved to the Yakima Valley, Washington to start a new life.

Growing up, Evelyn had dreams beyond farm life.

After high school, against her parents’ wishes, she got a job with the Wapato Post Office and saved her money for college. She attended Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California. There she met Charles “Chuck” and they were married in 1955.

Chuck’s service in the U.S. Navy took them to Puerto Rico and Maryland, before they settled in Tempe, Arizona. They raised their three kids in a lively, loving home, with visits from extended family, cross-country expeditions, camping trips, gardening, and lots and lots of pancakes. She instilled in her children fierce independence and a love of cooking, sewing, reading and outdoors.

In the 1970’s Evelyn’s passion for cooking turned into an interest in whole, natural and healthy food.

In 1977, she opened a natural foods store where she offered classes focusing on whole grain baking.

She taught hundreds of customers how to bake delicious, whole-wheat bread.

Evelyn approached life with a sense of wonder and adventure. She loved to travel

and visited Germany, England, France and Mexico. Most notably, her appreciation for Chinese culture took her on a solo trip to China in 1987.

She and Chuck happily spent one summer exploring the Southwest by motorhome before moving to Prescott, Arizona in 1998.

Once retired, Evelyn's passion became quilting.

Her favorite place was her quilt room where she was always designing, cutting, piecing and — her favorite — appliqueing. She was a member of Mountain Top Quilters for over 25 years.

As a master quilter, Evelyn left a vast collection of beautiful handmade quilts. She will be remembered through her bright and cozy creations that grace the walls and beds of her family and cherished friends.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband, Chuck. She is survived by her children, Joyce (Michael), Carol (Daniel), and David (Som); her brother, Charlie (Vanessa); and her grandkids, who called her Gramma Evie, Lisa (Robert), Travis (Coreen), Brandi (John), Nathan (Sophya), Claire (Fra), Austin and Poom, as well as six great-grandkids.

A celebration of Evelyn's life will be held Sunday, Aug. 3, noon-2:30 p.m., at the Goldwater Lake historic ramada. Private family ceremony immediately following.

Information provided by the family.

MTQG General Meeting Minutes for May 19, 2025

President Bobbie Mae thanked everyone for coming and asked everyone to mute their cell phones @ 9:32 a.m for Annual Meeting. .

Approval of April meeting minutes: Jan Walls made motion to approve minutes, and Barb Sheehan seconded motion. Minutes were approved.

Birthdays/Sunshine if any: Bobbie Mae read the list of May birthdays. Bobbie Mae recognized a couple of our members who had write ups in the newspaper, Kathy Allen for Woodturners and Suzy Davidson had a rodeo write up and has an upcoming meeting in regards to quilts for another write up. .

Bobbie Mae wanted to correct some information that was in the newsletter, Thumb Buttes Quilt show is June 13-24.

Bobbie Mae also wanted to thank Janice Zolnierowicz for her amazing work on the new Mountain Top Banners. One is at the podium and the other is at the back of the room where tickets for the auction of the Opportunity Quilt are being sold.

June Luncheon: Bobbie Mae advised the theme of the June luncheon is “Free for All” and you can decorate tables any way you want. The Board will be serving chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, and Costco cookies.

Programs – (Cheri Heinecke):

- June 16 – Summer Luncheon
- July 21 – Kay Wentworth will teach us lettering for quilting.
- August 18 – Janice Zolnierowicz will teach workshop on bag construction.
- Sept 15 – Joan Carrell will teach us how to make a conceal carry cross body bag. She recommends the site “sallietomato.com” for bag supplies.
- October 20 – Elizabeth Phinder will present a workshop on hand work.

Opportunity Quilt Design—(Barbara Sheehan, Karen Austermiller, and Norma Jarrels): Barbara unveiled the Opportunity Quilt called “Petals & Patches”. The quilt is 82 x 104. Barb also thanked all her consultants and 21 members who participated in some fashion working on the quilt. Special recognition goes out to Barb Phiel for the border, Kathy Hoffmeister for the quilting, Diane Ramsey for the binding, and Diane Short for the label and many members who did the piecing and applique.

Membership - Directory –New members & guests – (Donna Domino): Donna Domino recognized 5 guests we had in attendance, Faith Allen, Yega Oderlin, Karin Toci, Jennifer Koehler, and Karen Halverson. Donna advised the dues were raised to \$40 and she would start taking them today if you wanted.

Block of the Month- (Susan Szot): Susan revealed the completed block of the month challenges for the He Loves Me He Loves Me Knot and the ruler one. Several members showed their completed quilts and pictures were taken to send to the pattern designer.

Fun Day – (Diane Stockhaus): Diane Stockhaus showed some of the quilt tops done by members that participated and acknowledged she would be donating hers to Community Quilts.

Youth Quilting – (Janice Zolnierowicz): Janice showed off some of the blocks done by students. Janice solicited for members to come and donate some of their time to the kids and help out. Youth Quilting is every Tuesday from 3:30 to 5:30. There are only 2 more weeks left in this session and they are taking off until August 19th to resume.

Quilt Show Chair for 2026 – Theresa Barnard and Jill Bodine); Theresa advised Jill is not here today. Theresa advised she still needs several chair positions for the quilt show. She was able to get people to volunteer for Admission – Vicky Hall, Sue Ely; Welcome Booth – Linda Snavelly, Robyn Rousseau; Hanging Chairman (layout plan and oversee) – Diane Short, Nancy Williams; Ribbons/Labels – Janice Z, Cathy Vetrano, Quilt Descriptions – Diane Ramsey, Quilts with a Story – Kay Baker, and Vendor Chair- Sharon Harris, Michelle Z. Thanks to everyone. We have a good start.

Suzy advised we won't know what date the show is until October sometime. Finley Toyota is trying to come up with a plan.

Community Quilts – (Suzy Davidson & Peggy McKenzie): Suzy let the members know that adoption day has over 1000 quilts in storage and so they gave some back. Suzy advised they have close to 8 bins that need quilted, 7 bins with backs that need tops, and 6 bins need backs.

- Took in over 100 quilts today.
- Deb Mulcahy won the drawing.

Show and Tell – (Kay Wentworth): Dona Speights, Sandy Koch, Chrissy Henning, Maureen Sinkiewicz, Linda, Marley, Kay Hoff, Jan Smith, Kathy Allen, Vanessa Dean, Margot McDonnell, Frank Lezly, Marcia McMullen, and Kay Wentworth.

Adjourn 11:12 a.m.

Break

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Brungardt, Secretary

MTQG Annual Meeting Minutes for May 19, 2025

President Bobbie Mae Ball thanked everyone for coming and asked everyone to mute their cell phones.

President Bobbie Mae Ball then called to order the Annual Meeting. She noted there were two action items: Election of Officers for 2025-2026 and Approval of the 2025-2026 Budget.

Suzy Davidson, President Elect announced the proposed officers which include Diane Stockhaus, President; Diane Short, President-Elect; Deb Godin, Treasurer; Elizabeth Phinder, Programs; and Charlotte Maris, Secretary. Suzy Davidson asked for nominations from the floor. Cheri Heinecke nominated Sharon Harris for President and Diane Short seconded motion.

Bobbie Mae allowed each person to take 5 minutes to say why they would be a good President. Bobbie Mae called for a vote of hands for Diane Stockhaus; 65. Bobbie Mae called for a vote of hands for Sharon Harris; 26. Bobbie Mae announced Diane Stockhaus won the nomination. Upon a motion by Bobbie Turnbow to elect the proposed officers and Beth Miller seconded motion. The guild voted to elect the proposed officers.

Next item of business is proposed budget. Bobbie Mae allowed Budget Committee that volunteered to come up and allowed 10 minute discussion/questions by membership. Questions were brought up about Post Office expenses, Website costs, Spring Quilt camp, and who runs the Quild. Bobbie Mae asked for Budget to be approved as presented and membership approved the 2025-2026 Budget.

Dona Speights made a motion to adopt the proposed budget, second by Bobbie Turnbow and the budget was adopted as proposed on May 5, 2025 by Board. Bobbie Mae then closed the annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Brungardt